

AFRC expands 'Operation R&R' to include troops on block leave

Armed Forces Recreation Center
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With U.S. Army, Europe, service members and civilians soon redeploying from Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom assignments, Armed Forces Recreation Center Europe has expanded its "Operation R&R" program to include redeployed OIF/OEF service members on block leave status.

Previously, this opportunity was only open to OIF/OEF service members on 14-day R&R leave. Effective immediately, "Operation R&R: Block Leave" will offer the base R&R package plus one optional additional overnight stay.

The AFRC Europe "Operation R&R" program base package provides two overnights at the General Von Steuben or General Patton hotels, two dinners and two breakfasts for only \$90 for a single traveler or \$120 for double occupancy.

As part of the special block leave package, service members and civilians may obtain a third overnight stay. Singles are an additional \$45 and doubles are \$60. Youth (ages 13-17) are \$9 per day, and children under 12 stay and dine at the hotel at no charge.

While staying at the resort, service members, civilians and their families may take advantage of the many tours and recreational activities offered by AFRC Europe for only \$15 per day.

"We want to help service members have a unique experience and plenty of rest in order to be ready to continue their important missions," said Richard LeBrun, general manager, AFRC Resorts, Europe.

"Whether service members want to get out and enjoy their leave in Europe with our recreation and tours programs, or just simply relax in our comfortable facilities, AFRC is the perfect place to visit," LeBrun said.

For more information visit www.afrc europe.com or call 440-2575/civ. 08821-72981.



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Service members returning from deployment in support of Operation Enduring Freedom can take advantage of AFRC facilities and activities.

The base package provides two overnights, two dinners and two breakfasts for \$90 for singles or \$120 for double occupancies.



Corey Henderson

Members of the U.S. Ski team visit with young guests at the U.S. Army, Europe, R&R Center Jan. 28.

Ski stars visit service members

Members of the U.S. Men's Ski Team visited with service members at the U.S. Army, Europe, R&R Center in Garmisch Jan. 28 to show their support for the military.

Skiers Daron Rahlves, Bryon Friedman and Jake Fiala met with service members and signed autographs on posters, trading cards and ski helmets.

"We were really honored to meet the service members," Fiala said. — AFRC Release

NEWS & NOTES

Garmisch bulletin distribution changes

Within the next six weeks, the Garmisch Community Bulletin will no longer be distributed in a paper format but will be distributed electronically.

All major supported activities — such as the Marshall Center, NATO school, Armed Forces Recreation Center Europe and Area Support Team Garmisch will have one point of contact to which the bulletin will be sent for further distribution as required.

All others should provide Helen Nas-Altenhofer with a home e-mail address. To have an address added to the distribution list, e-mail Helen at helen.nas-altenhofer@garmisch.army.mil.

All future input for the bulletin must be submitted electronically. The deadline for submission is five days prior to the publication date.

Legal assistance available in Garmisch

Representatives from the Stuttgart Law Center will be in Garmisch Feb. 23 and 24 for walk-in powers of attorney and notary services, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 to 3 p.m. in building 202, room 109 on Artillery Kaserne.

Attorney consultations are available by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment call 421-4152/civ. 0711-729-4152.

Auction benefits local groups

The next Community Service Auction is slated for Feb. 28. This event helps raise money for the community and fund programs such as the Scholarship Fund, Boy and Girl Scouts and Child Development Center.

If you have a hidden talent and would like to provide a product or service, call Kathy Tone by Feb. 23 at 08821-732-769 or e-mail christophertone@hotmail.com.

Burke Lodge announces events

• **An Evening of Monty Python** — March 2, 7 p.m., Pete Burke Center.

• **Munich in the Third Reich (Dark Tour)** — Feb. 28 and 29. The cost is \$23.

• **Carnivale in Venice/Verona Tour**, Feb. 20 to 22. The cost is \$159 and includes two overnights, transportation to Vincenza and a visit to Venice and Verona during Carnivale.

• **Pool and Gorge Tour** — Feb. 28. The cost is \$18.

• **Speaker's Corner** — March 10, 7:30 p.m. in the Burke Lodge. The speaker is Nick Pratt, who will discuss terrorism.

• **Garmisch Reader's Group** — March 8, 7 p.m., in the Community Library. The book this month is *The Da Vinci Code* by Dan Brown.

For details call 440-2461/civ. 08821-750-461.

Italian restaurant opens on Artillery

Dolomiti, a new Italian ristorante and pizzeria located in the Garmisch Community Club (Artillery Kaserne, building 262), is now open for business.

Garmisch teens travel to Venice

The Middle School Teen Center is traveling to Venice for Carnivale Feb. 21 and 22.

This trip is open to Child and Youth Services members in grades 6 to 12. The cost is \$25.

For details call 440-2600/civ. 08821-750-600.

GCSC meets monthly for lunch

The Garmisch Community and Spouses' Club meets for lunch the first Friday of every month, noon to 1 p.m. You don't have to be a member to attend these meetings.

The next luncheon is March 5 at the Zugspitze Cafe. For more information call Jen Roberts at 08821-943-1680 or Sandra Slade at 08821-730-863.

Service Credit Union open on Artillery

A new full-service branch of Service Credit Union is now open on Artillery Kaserne.

Hours are Tuesdays through Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Austria institutes new toll system

The Austrian government has recently introduced a new toll system for highways called "Go Box," which applies to all vehicles with a maximum loading capacity of over 3.5 tons, to include large campers.

All other vehicles will continue to use the Vignette system. For details call 442-2500/civ. 08821-759-500.